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SUBJECT: Northern Region (Kane, DuPage, Lake, Cook) Drive-by Site Inspections
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On April 28, 1986, an inspection was attempted on Orland Barrel and Drum, but unsuccessful. The village hall of Orland Park and the Orland Park Township office was visited to get information and assistance in finding the location of this facility (address was unreported). According to both offices, no such facility existed in Orland Park. The preliminary assessment is still incomplete on this facility.

On the same day of April 28, 1986, the Kearney Company of 8600 Joliet Road in McCook was visited. Talked briefly with Alex Vitkus, laboratory manager for Kearney. The Kearney Company is a Division of Kearney National, Inc. of Atlanta, Georgia. This facility is an electrical research laboratory. A transformer storage area was observed in the rear of the facility, there is the potential for PCB contamination. Pictures were taken, 1 thru 3.

At approximately 1:00 P.M. on the above date, three sites/facilities were visited in Chicago. The first to be visited was the Southern White Lead Company at 900 West 18th Street. Southern White Lead Company is no longer in operation at this location. Tool and Engineering Company was the name located on the building. Construction and demolition work was in progress in the rear of the building. No information is known about this company. Pictures were taken, 4 thru 7.

The second site visited in Chicago was D.B. Shipman, White Lead Company, on the corner of State and 15th Street. A company with the name of Freeman Tires was at this location. Viewing from the outside, the facility appeared to be a retail tire dealership. Pictures were taken, 8 thru 9. The third site visited was the Magnus Company, Inc. at 2234 West 43rd Street. Located at this address was Chicago Sweetners, Inc., Oakley Warehouse Company. The Magnus Company is no longer in operation at this location. Pictures were taken, 10 thru 11.

On April 29, 1986, the North Shore Materials, Inc. at 2500 Commonwealth Avenue in North Chicago and Lake County was visited. Coleman Cable Systems rents one of their warehouses to North Shore Materials. About 10 different companies utilize warehouses in the same area. Some of the other companies are: Precision Polishing & Plating, Electrical Conductors, Photochem/Clayton, etc. Jim Salyers is the plant manager for North Shore Materials and Bobel is the assistant plant manager. North Shore Materials is a plastics compounding facility (actual address is 2450 Davis Street), PVC plastics are manufactured. The warehouse that houses this facility is shared by another company. Drums with contents unknown to me were stacked in the middle of the floor, boxes of plastics (all colors) were stacked along the walls. There was also a drum storage yard in the parking lot. No pictures were taken by request of the facility management.

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On the same day of April 28, 1986, the Liberty Septic Company was visited at 31 W038 Geneva Road in West Chicago and DuPage County. Located at the above address was the C.K. Body Shop. Next to the body shop was Able Disposal Service, both companies used a common driveway. There is the possibility that Able Disposal and Liberty Septic being the same with different names. Checked with the City of West Chicago clerks office, and found that no Liberty Septic Company was in operation in West Chicago. No pictures were taken.

Marclay Oil Company, on the above date, was the last facility inspected in the Northern Region. The given address for this facility was the corner of Bangs and Ashland. Bobby's Gas Station and Dairy Queen were located on this corner, on the other three sides were a tavern, small shopping mall, and a house (residential). There is the possibility that Marclay Oil Company was the former location of the now Bobby's Gas Station and Dairy Queen. No pictures were taken.

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